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National Data Registry
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the Government is developing a national data registry that will require all agencies that collect and store geospatial data to provide details of the data they store;

(b) if so, whether the registry will also serve as a source of authenticated information;

(c) if so, whether it will also help to prevent duplication and help users locate the right agencies to source information; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI.Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a) Yes, Madam. The Government is developing a national data registry (NDR) that will require all agencies that collect and store geospatial data to provide details of the data they store alternatively known as metadata (i.e. data about data)

(b) Yes, Madam. The registry will serve as a source of authenticated information pertaining to metadata.

(c) Yes, Madam. The registry will also help prevent duplication and assist users in locating the right agencies to source information.

(d) The registry will be a collection of metadata of geospatial data to facilitate search, discovery, correct processing and interpretation of spatial data sets of the agencies by the end users. Technical specifications and architecture of a prototype version of NDR have been defined, tested and demonstrated to the concerned agencies for its development.

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